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Zistersdorf Fields

1. The following Zistersdorf production statistics for crude oil production during May 1948 include - where available - figures for individual wells. The figures, given in tons, are reported to have been copied from official Soviet records. An increase of about 3,000 tons can be noted over production for April 1948. Although this increase is reflected to some degree in the figures for each field, the principal gain can be seen in the case of SEB III. Field Hauskirchen, where use of a so-called "gas anchor" was first reported. (See [REDACTED]. Since use of this anti-drain pressurization device has been taken up at other fields, a further increase is predicted in all fields for June 1948.

2. Field Totals 25X1A

735.52	17M/C	735.52	17M/C	6,423	TONS
				23,458	"
				17,974	"
				8,742	"
				17,183	"
				4,580	"
				78,360	"

3. SEB III

Maustrenk	1,135
Scharfeneck	
Hohenruppersdorf	

Hauskirchen:

Well	
1	24.0
4	78.6
6	114.1
7	355.9
9	20.5

Tons

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11	121.2
13	34.9
17	176.9
27	43.6
30	83.9
37	48.2
22	475.6
38	33.7
39	365.5
41	125.4
42	86.1
1	12.9
7	131.6
18	38.3
19	215.6
30	652.0
58	47.5
59	41.5
62	153.3
63	21.9
64	177.3
65	99.1
67	65.3
72a	265.1
73	203.3
74a	225.8
77	130.9
82	108.9
53	494.9

Storage16.0

Total: 5,289.3

4. MuehlbergWellTons

3	794.9
9	1,203.2
10	1,908.7
11	2,163.4
12	708.0
14	672.7
15	1,667.1
16	1,625.9
17	2,420.8
18	807.2
19	1,356.2
21	1,587.1
24	621.4
26	3,533.5
27	56.9
40	1,772.6
43	558.7

Total 23,458.3

5. DEA

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DEA I  
DEA II  
DEA Niederdonau\*

7,638.5 (see paragraph 6 below)  
8,816.3  
1,510.5

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Total 17,974.3

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6. The following report on DEA I (Ost) oil production for May 1948 and financial statement for the second quarter of 1948 comes from another source, who is untested but well-placed. Oil production for the month of May 1948 at DEA I (Ost), Neusiedl, totaled 9,527 tons of crude oil pumped, containing 2.44% or 233 tons of foreign matter: 9,294 tons of crude oil were pumped to the tank-farm WIPO, at Hauskirchen in the Lobau. Oil production from 7 May 1948 to 1 June from the same field totalled 7,270 tons, of which 5,281 tons contained less than 3% water. Oil delivered had a specific gravity of 0.8596.

7. Only 63 of the 149 wells in the DEA I (Ost) area are producing. Soviet engineers, accompanied by Austrian personnel, are conducting explorations near Maustrenk and have struck oil at 1,200 meters. There is a noticeable drop in gas pressure in the whole area, but certain wells in DEA I (Ost) are still delivering 45 tons per twenty-four hour period. According to an official report delivered to the Kantasse oil office, the average for each well during May 1948 was 330 tons. A production chart for 5 June 1948 reports that all Soviet-controlled oil fields in Austria produced 2,427 tons of crude oil on that date.

8. About two weeks ago, twelve new caterpillar windlasses, manufactured by LINN-IDEKO, Illinois, USA, were received in Zistersdorf. These are being lent to various fields in the area; two were sent to Muhlberg. Small quantities of used Romanian drilling equipment have also been received.

9. The income of DEA I (Ost) for the second quarter of 1948 amounted to 2,428,500 schillings, while expenses amounted to 2,375,500 schillings. The following itemized financial statement was submitted to the Kantgasse office of DEA I (Ost).

CREDITS

Cash on hand	12,000	schillings
Payments received	1,500	"
Other incomes	50,000	"
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>63,500</b>	" (as received)

DEBITS

Salaries	1,703,100	schillings
Workers social insurance paid by firm	280,000	"
Taxes paid	17,000	"
Electricity	158,000	"
Fuel	1,000	"
Transportation	30,000	"
Payments to creditors	183,400	"
Repairs	90,000	"
Telephone	18,000	"
Miscellaneous	5,000	"
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,375,500</b>	" (as received)

Capital improvements		
Construction work	53,000	"
	<b>2,428,500</b>	" (as received)

Difference between Income & Outlay 2,365,000 schillings

Value of assets at DEA I (Ost)

<u>1 May 1948</u>	<u>31 May 1948</u>
18,45,554 schillings	19,621,900 schillings

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Comment: The additions above are in error. However, since the totals balance, it is assumed that the errors are in the columns. Therefore, the totals have been left as received.)

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